TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

SB 333 - HB 1053

March 18, 2009

SUMMARY OF BILL: Eliminates the Board of Electrolysis Examiners and grants the Commissioner of Health regulatory and licensure authority over the practice of electrology.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Other Fiscal Impact – The current expenditures of the Board of Electrolysis Examiners, \$23,200 (\$24,100 - \$852 for Board meetings), will shift to the Department of Health. The fees collected, \$18,500, will continue to be used to pay for the expenditures incurred by the regulation and licensure of the practice of electrology. According to the Department of Health, individual fees will be increased by an amount sufficient to cover the approximate \$4,700 annual deficit and become self-supporting. As of June 30, 2008, the Board had a cumulative negative balance of \$39,324.28.

Assumptions:

- According to the Department of Health, the Board of Electrolysis Examiners meets two times per year at a cost of approximately \$426 per meeting. Eliminating board meetings will result in a decrease in expenditures of \$852.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 4-3-1011, all health-related boards are required to be self-supporting over a two-year period. The Board had a negative balance of \$15,083.28 in FY06-07 and \$5,581.91 in FY07-08. As of June 30, 2008, the Board had a cumulative negative balance of \$39,324.28.
- In FY07-08, the Board collected fees in the amount of \$18,512.70. Expenditures in FY07-08 \$24,094.61 resulting in a negative balance of \$5,581.91. After reducing expenditures by the estimated \$852 of the Board, there is a remaining negative balance of \$4,729.91.
- It is estimated that the Department of Health will absorb the remaining expenditures of the Board and result in an increase in expenditures of \$23,242.61.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

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